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USEFUL FOR STEM CELL MOBILIZATION

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Interview was conducted by telephone with Examiner Niebauer and Primary Examiner Gupta on July 7, 2010. During the Interview, the analysis of unexpected results was discussed, along with the prior art of record. Applicants pointed out that the language "consisting of" in the claims excludes the Ad-PlGF of the prior art, since it is a nucleic acid vector and not PlGF protein per se, and the Examiners agreed that this was a point which may distinguish the present invention over the prior art.

Applicants' representatives sincerely thank both Examiner Niebauer and Examiner Gupta for taking the time to review the file and to discuss the application. While no agreement was reached, Applicants truly appreciate both Examiner Niebauer and Examiner Gupta's comments and feel that the Interview was helpful to clarify the issues and to move prosecution of this case forward.

Conclusion

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell Reg. No. 36,623 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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